

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1388

AN ACT

To amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Star-Spangled Banner Trail in the States of Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia as a National Historic Trail.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Star-Spangled Banner
3 National Historic Trail Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF TRAIL.**

5 Section 5(a) of the National Trails System Act (16
6 U.S.C. 1244(a)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
7 lowing:

8 “(____) STAR-SPANGLED BANNER NATIONAL
9 HISTORIC TRAIL.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Star-Spangled
11 Banner National Historic Trail, a trail con-
12 sisting of water and overland routes totaling ap-
13 proximately 290 miles, extending from Tangier
14 Island, Virginia, through southern Maryland,
15 the District of Columbia, and northern Virginia,
16 in the Chesapeake Bay, Patuxent River, Poto-
17 mac River, and north to the Patapsco River,
18 and Baltimore, Maryland, commemorating the
19 Chesapeake Campaign of the War of 1812 (in-
20 cluding the British invasion of Washington,
21 District of Columbia, and its associated feints,
22 and the Battle of Baltimore in summer 1814),
23 as generally depicted on the map titled ‘Star-
24 Spangled Banner National Historic Trail’,
25 numbered T02/80,000, and dated June 2007.

1 “(B) MAP.—The map referred to in sub-
2 paragraph (A) shall be maintained on file and
3 available for public inspection in the appro-
4 priate offices of the National Park Service.

5 “(C) ADMINISTRATION.—Subject to sub-
6 paragraph (E)(ii), the trail shall be adminis-
7 tered by the Secretary of the Interior.

8 “(D) LAND ACQUISITION.—No land or in-
9 terest in land outside the exterior boundaries of
10 any federally administered area may be ac-
11 quired by the United States for the trail except
12 with the consent of the owner of the land or in-
13 terest in land.

14 “(E) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.—The Sec-
15 retary of the Interior shall—

16 “(i) encourage communities, owners of
17 land along the trail, and volunteer trail
18 groups to participate in the planning, de-
19 velopment, and maintenance of the trail;
20 and

21 “(ii) consult with other affected land-
22 owners and Federal, State, and local agen-
23 cies in the administration of the trail.

24 “(F) INTERPRETATION AND ASSIST-
25 ANCE.—Subject to the availability of appropria-

1 tions, the Secretary of the Interior may provide,
2 to State and local governments and nonprofit
3 organizations, interpretive programs and serv-
4 ices and technical assistance for use in—

5 “(i) carrying out preservation and de-
6 velopment of the trail; and

7 “(ii) providing education relating to
8 the War of 1812 along the trail.”.

Passed the House of Representatives July 23, 2007.

Attest:

Clerk.

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